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cc:

Here is part of what you
are concerned with - I have
not seen a report on the Federal
Portfolio yet

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September 26, 2005

Bruce Ellis
Manti-La Sal National Forest
599 West Price River Drive

Dear Mr. Ellis:

The Utah State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) is currently understaffed due to the retirement of the Deputy SHPO. We are also experiencing a significant increase in requests for consultation due to the boom in energy exploration and development. We request your cooperation as we implement the following temporary measures to meet the demand for consultation:

1. We will issue letters of concurrence for all projects that identify no sites.
2. We will issue letters of concurrence for nearly all projects that identify no affected properties.
3. We will issue letters that indicate no comment on some proportions of projects that have identified sites.
4. We will attempt to offer meaningful comments on larger projects as our workload permits.

We apologize for any inconvenience these temporary measures may cause. Please bear with us as we work to find a permanent solution.

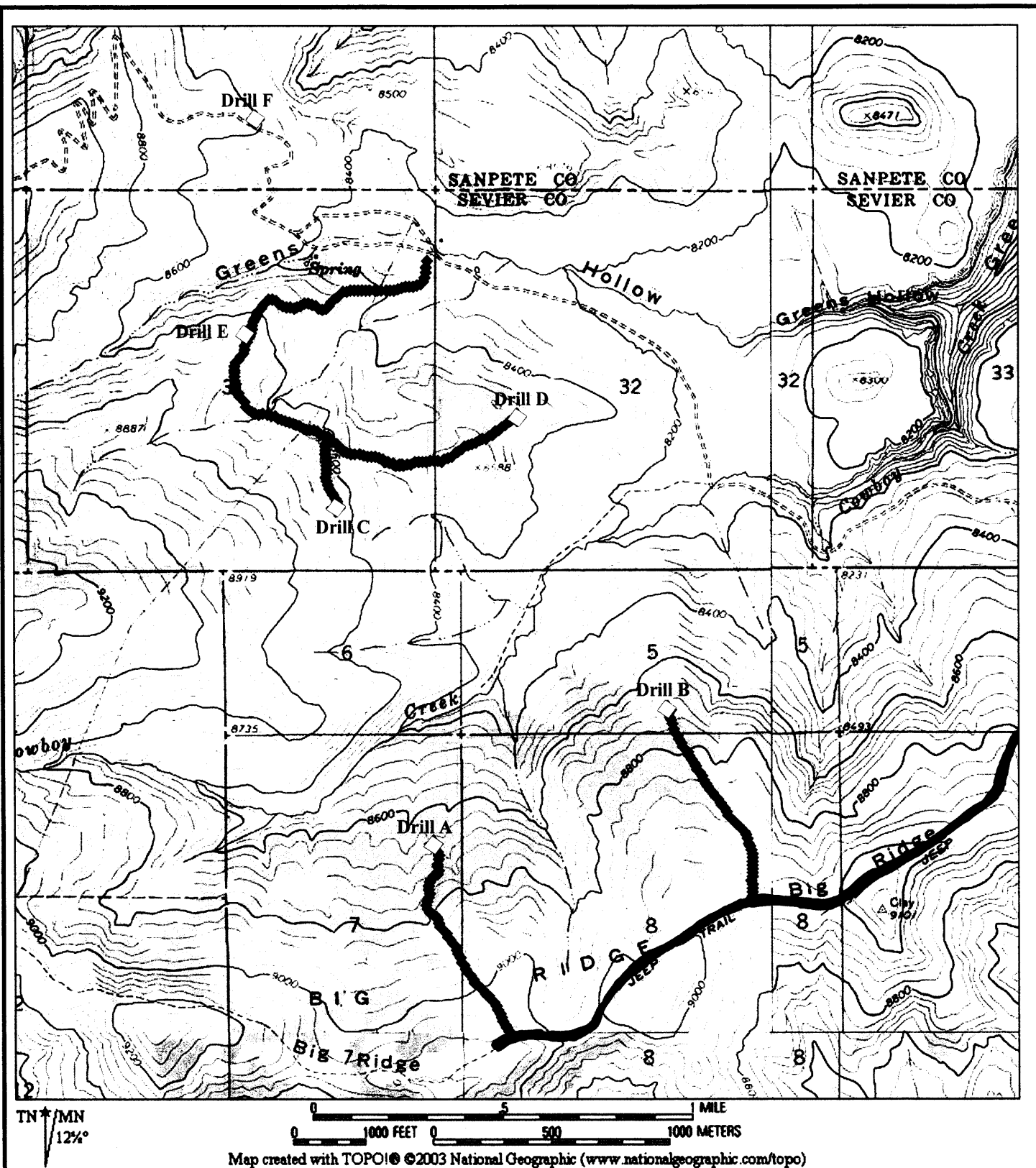
Sincerely,

Wilson G. Martin
Utah State Historic Preservation Officer

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The SHPO (State Historic Preservation Office) was understaffed during the period February 2005 through February 2006. Until September of 2005, when that office implemented temporary measures to compensate, we received very few consultation responses from them regarding project effect and site evaluation determinations. In many instances, particularly those where no sites were found, we received no response at all within the 30-day consultation period specified by law. In these cases, the law allows for an "a priori" assumption that the SHPO concurs with the agency findings and the project NEPA to be signed and the implementation to begin. Attached is a copy of a letter dated September 26, 2005 from Wilson Martin, Utah State Historic Preservation, explaining the temporary measures implemented in September 2005.



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Figure 2
Topographic Map

MuddyTract 2005 Drilling

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- ◇ Drill Location inventoried
- ATV trail inventoried

Project:
Analyst: S. Billat

Source: USGS 7.5-minute quadrangle
Heliotrope Mtn., UT

MANAGEMENT SUMMARY

Landowner: USDA Forest Service, Manti-LaSal National Forest

Quadrangle: USGS 7.5 minute map; Heliotrope Mtn., Utah

Location: Township 20 South, Range 5 East, Sections 30, 31, 32 and Township 21 South Range 5 East, Sections 5, 7, 8.

SHPO Project Number: Utah State Project Authorization No. U-05-EP-0575f

Project Effect: Inventoried: No cultural resources were identified during the Class III inventory. Also, no previously identified sites are present near any of the inventoried areas.

Attachments: General Project Location Map
Project Area Map
SHPO Cover Page



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Dear MS. Natchees:

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